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Emergency Access Advisory Committee; Announcement of Date of Next Meeting

AGENCY: Federal Communications Commission.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This document announces the date of the Emergency Access Advisory Committee's (Committee or EAAC) next meeting. At the March 2012 meeting, the seven subcommittees of the EAAC will present reports and consider activities for 2012. The seven subcommittees cover: Text-to-911 Solutions; Interoperability Testing; PSAP Sign Language and other Communication Assistance; Detailed Report Sections from 2011; NENA i3 compared to EAAC Recommendations; TTY Transition/Roadmap; and, Timeline Alignment for Phasing into NG911 PSAPs.

DATES: The Committee's next meeting will take place on Friday, March 30, 2012, 10:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. (EST), at the headquarters of the Federal Communications Commission (FCC).

ADDRESS: Federal Communications Commission, 445 12th Street, SW, Washington, DC 20554, in the Commission Meeting Room.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On December 7, 2010, in document DA 10-2318, Chairman Julius Genachowski announced the establishment and appointment of members and Co-Chairpersons of the EAAC, an advisory committee required by the Twenty-First Century Communications and Video Accessibility Act (CVAA), Pub. L. 11-260, for the purpose of achieving equal access to emergency services by individuals with disabilities as part of our nation's migration to a national Internet protocol-enabled emergency network, also known as the next generation 9-1-1 system (NG9-1-1). The purpose of the EAAC is to determine the most effective and efficient technologies and methods by which to enable access to Next Generation 911

(NG 9-1-1) emergency services by individuals with disabilities, Pub. L. 111-260 § 106(a), and to make recommendations to the Commission on how to achieve those effective and efficient technologies and methods. Pub. L. 111-260 § 106(c). During the spring of 2011, the EAAC conducted a nationwide survey of individuals with disabilities and released a report on that survey on June 21, 2011. The EAAC Report on Emergency Calling for Persons with Disabilities; Survey Review and Analysis 2011 is available at <http://transition.fcc.gov/cgb/dro/EAAC/EAAC-REPORT.pdf>. Following release of the survey report, the EAAC developed recommendations, which it submitted to the Commission on December 7, 2011, as required by the CVAA. See the EAAC Report and Recommendations at: http://hraunfoss.fcc.gov/edocs_public/attachmatch/DOC-312161A1.doc. At the March 2012 EAAC meeting, the seven subcommittees of the EAAC will present reports and consider activities for 2012. The seven subcommittees cover: Text-to-911 Solutions; Interoperability Testing; PSAP Sign Language and other Communications Assistance; Detailed Report Sections from 2011; Gaps in NENA i3 compared to EAAC Recommendations; TTY Transition/Roadmap; Timeline Alignment For Phasing into NG911 PSAPs. The meeting site is fully accessible to people using wheelchairs or other mobility aids. Sign language interpreters, open captioning, and assistive listening devices will be provided on site. Other reasonable accommodations for people with disabilities are available upon request. In your request, include a description of the accommodation you will need and a way we can contact you if we need more information. Last minute requests will be accepted, but may be impossible to fill. Send an e-mail to: fcc504@fcc.gov or call the Consumer and Governmental Affairs Bureau at (202) 418-0530 (voice), (202) 418-0432 (TTY). To request materials in accessible formats for people with disabilities (Braille, large print, electronic files, audio format), send an e-mail to fcc504@fcc.gov or call the Consumer and Governmental Affairs Bureau at (202) 418-0530 (voice), (202) 418-0432 (TTY).

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